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SUBJ: LOS: SUBCOMMITTEE I MEETING JULY 9

1. WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER PINTO GAVE SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENTS IN WG DURING WEEK OF JULY 1.

2. SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ENGO (CAMEROON) GAVE STATEMENT ON THE WORK OF SUBCOMMITTEE I. AFTER CALLING ON ALL DELEGATIONS TO MAKE EXTRA EFFORT TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND NOTING THAT SACRIFICES MUST BE MADE, ENGO SAID THAT THE TASK OF THE WG IN ITS PRESENT FORM AND MANDATE SHOULD BE COMPLETED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, POSSIBLY WITHIN 10 TO 14 DAYS. HE URGED THAT CONSULTATIONS ON DIFFERENT LEVELS BE BEGUN AND HE SAID HE WOULD PERSONALLY CALL UPON VARIOUS GROUPS TO HELP RESOLVE SPECIFIC ISSUES AND PROBLEMS. HE STATED THAT MANY ISSUES IN SUBCOMMITTEE I'S WORK OVERLAPPED WITH WORK OF OTHER SUBCOMMITTEES AND THAT THESE RELATED ISSUES WOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT TO EXTENT NECESSARY IN POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS HE INTENDS TO INITIATE.

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ENGO STATED THAT WG SHOULD PRODUCE CONSENSUS AT LEAST

IN THOSE AREAS WHERE THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF AGREEMENT. WHERE THERE ARE DIFFERENCES, THESE SHOULD BE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AND HE ASKED THAT WG NOT SIMPLY PRODUCE REFLECTIONS OF EXISTING TEXTS WHICH HAVE BEEN PROPOSED. HE URGED THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO REMOVE BRACKETS AND FOOTNOTES.

3. ENGO IDENTIFIED SIX OUTSTANDING ISSUES FACING SUB-COMMITTEE I;

A. NATURE AND EXTENT OF COMMON HERITAGE: ENGO URGED THAT WG NOT WATER DOWN CONCEPT THAT WAS EXPRESSED IN DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES OR PLACE IT IN DOUBT.

B. THE POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE AUTHORITY AND ITS ORGANS: HE DESCRIBED THIS AS THE MOST CRUCIAL ISSUE AND URGED THAT SPEEDY POLITICAL DECISIONS MUST BE MADE ON ISSUE OF POWERS OF COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY. HE WARNED AGAINST DANGEROUS POLARIZATION ON POLITICAL GROUNDS AND HE FURTHER WARNED THOSE WHO SEEK A "PACKAGE DEAL" THAT NO CONVENTION OBTAINED BY "BULLYING" OR "BLACKMAIL" WILL LAST. HE NOTED THAT SMALL POWERS HAVE THE VOTES AND THAT BIG POWERS HAVE THE TECHNOLOGY. HE SAID NEITHER SIDE CAN DO WITHOUT THE OTHER SO THAT ONE SIDE CANNOT "BULLY" THE OTHER.

C. LIMITS: HE SAW THESE ARE BEING DEALT WITH IN ANOTHER FORUM, BUT THAT RESOLUTION WOULD BE DETERMINED SERIES OF OTHER RELATED ISSUES.

D. WHO WILL EXPLOIT THE AREA: COMPROMISE CAN BE WORKED OUT, HE STATED, IF FRANK EXCHANGE OF VIEWS OCCURRED.

E. SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH: ENGO STATED THAT ALL AGREE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH SHOULD BE FREE BUT DEGREE OF FREEDOM IS IN DOUBT.

F. GENERAL NORMS OF EXPLOITATION: HE STATED THAT QUESTION OF WHETHER AUTHORITY CAN ACT TO MINIMIZE PRICE FLUCTUATIONS COULD BE RESOLVED BY FRANK EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.
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4. ONLY INTERVENTION WAS BY CHILE, WHO MADE VERY POSITIVE COMMENTS ON ENGO STATEMENT. BASSIN

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